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Subject: RE: For your call with OW -- FW: ACTION - Draft updated GenX desk statement

See my suggested edit. Shouldn't we just focus on what we are doing not on what we don't have?

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Wendy/Nancy, OW wants to put the 1st paragraph as background.

Nancy G. is going to send around another version making this change.

DRAFT Updated GenX Holding Statement -- June 19, 2017

EPA is committed to protecting public health and supporting states and public water systems as the appropriate steps to address the presence of GenX in drinking water are determined. Under the Safe Drinking Water Act, EPA undertakes extensive evaluations of contaminants and uses the best available peer reviewed science to identify and regulate

contaminants that present a potential risk to public health and the environment. While EPA has not yet determined the appropriate steps to address the presence of GenX in drinking water,

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with the states and public water systems to determine the appropriate next steps to ensure public health protection.

EPA is initiating an investigation into Chemours's compliance with a 2009 order issued under the Toxic Substances Control Act for the production of GenX. This investigation will allow EPA to determine whether Chemours is in compliance with requirements of the order to control releases to the environment at the Fayetteville, N.C., facility. EPA is also reviewing the additional toxicity data submitted by the company, as required under the consent order, and updating the toxicity assessment using the more robust toxicity database specific to GenX. At the request of NCDEQ, EPA has agreed to perform independent laboratory analysis for GenX in some of water samples being collected by NCDEQ at 13 locations in the Cape Fear River over the coming three weeks.

Background

- Typically, EPA investigates potential TSCA noncompliance through a review of production and environmental controls records required by any rule or order and, as needed, an on-site inspection. EPA may also use information requests to inform our investigation.
- When EPA issued the consent order, the toxicity assessment for GenX was based on the available toxicity data for GenX and for the analog PFOA (also known as C8). The consent order required the company to conduct additional toxicity testing on GenX.
- Chemours agreed to bear all costs for the water collection and testing. The samples are being sent to a private laboratory in Colorado, and the EPA ORD laboratory in Research Triangle Park for independent verification.

- NCDEQ believes the completed results will be back from the laboratory in Colorado within four weeks from when the samples are received. EPA is working to determine a timeline for its analysis.